

Pension Application for Benjamin Knapp

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State of New York

County of Warren SS.

On this eighteenth day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges thereof to wit Set C. Baldwin first Judge Thomas Potters, Abrm Barber Hubby Mead and [?] B. Hicks Esquires his associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Warren in the State of New York now sitting at the Court house in the town of Caldwell County aforesaid Benjamin Knapp a Resident of the town of Chester in said County aged 68 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832 was born in the Town of Greenwich County of Fairfield, State of Connecticut.

In the spring of 1781 one Henry Knapp enlisted in the company of Militia of the State of New York called the new Levies in the summer of the same year Deponent substituted himself in said company in the place of the said Henry Knapp said company was Commanded by Capt. Adial Sherwood, Lieutenant Robert, Ensign Baldwin then deponent enlisted for three months mustered at Fort Edward then proceeded to Fort Ann in near Washington County, New York and remained at Fort Ann in said County till till [sic] October of the same year when he [??] with the whole company were taken prisoners at Fort Ann by the troops under the Command of Major Carlton and thence conveyed to Montreal in confinement and then kept in close convoy for more than one year this applicant with their company were then conveyed to prison for more than one year this deponent with his company were then conveyed to prison island? at quartered there he was there confined (a part of the time) in irons till the fall of the year 1782 when the men imbarked on board of the British [?] transport to Boston and set to liberty making on all from the time of our imprisonment several months more and [can't read a sentence]

2d I have a record of my age in Chester Warren County from my fathers Bible & was born 1764.

3 When called into service I resided in the County of [?] I have since this time lived part of the time in Greenwich [?] County Connecticut & 7 years in Salem West Chester County near New York, & ever since this in Chewster where I now reside.

4 Answered in the above [??]

5 As far for the answered I am unable to answer.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Benjamin Knapp

Subscribed & Sworn before me this 18th day of September 1832 in open court.
Thomas Archibald, Clerk